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TO: Procurement Directors

FROM: Director,

Contract and Financial Assistance Policy Division

Office of Policy

Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: Waiver of Mandatory Use of the Strategic Integrated Procurement Enterprise

System (STRIPES) for GSA Global Supply Service Transactions

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.402 (c)(1), orders placed through the General Service Administration (GSA) Global Supply System are not subject to FAR Subpart 8.4, Federal Supply Schedules. In addition, FAR 4.606 (c)(2) eliminates the requirement for orders from GSA Global Supply System be reported to the Federal Procurement Data System – Next Generation (FPDS-NG).

Based on the above, the mandatory use of STRIPES for GSA Global Supply Service transactions is waived. This waiver will remain in effect from the date of this memorandum until cancelled. Transactions through GSA Global Supply are subject to the authorities and limits designated on the purchase cardholder's Contracting Officer warrant and the single purchase limit of their purchase card. This waiver (see attached) will remain in effect from the date of this memorandum unless cancelled.

This waiver does not apply to GSA Advantage or any other GSA buying systems.

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